

Anderson will hold audience rapt with raptors *page 11*



Outlaws crush Sutherlin on gridiron *page 12*



Writer creates legacy for friend *page 15*



# The Nugget

News and Opinion from Sisters, Oregon

POSTAL CUSTOMER  
PRE-SORTED STANDARD  
ECRWSS  
U.S. POSTAGE PAID  
Sisters, OR  
Permit No. 15

Vol. XXXIX No. 39

www.NuggetNews.com

Wednesday, September 28, 2016

## Deer vs. dog incidents repeated

Sisters resident Lorna Clarke reported witnessing several violent encounters between off-leash dogs and deer in the rough area behind the Sisters Elementary School ball field over the past month. "Hearing screams from humans and that of the deer first alerted us to two dogs that had instantly become a hunting pack when they came upon resting deer back there," she reported. "The dog owners chased the dogs with giant sticks, while the dogs tore up the deer's legs, mouth and tongue all left hanging off

See **DOGS** on page 29

## Race to the Top...



PHOTO BY JERRY BALDOCK

Runners took to the trail on Saturday in Sisters Kiwanis' Hoodoo Challenge (see story, page 17).

## Habitat presents lifetime awards

The volunteers at Sisters Habitat for Humanity give their time because they believe in the Habitat mission and have a heart to help families in Sisters. Five of these volunteers were honored recently at Sisters Habitat for Humanity's 25th Anniversary celebration. These five have served for so many years that they were awarded the President's Lifetime Achievement Award, an award presented to those who have given more than 4,000 hours to one organization.

See **AWARDS** on page 31

## SPRD buries the beef

By Jim Cornelius  
News Editor

It takes hours and hours, sometimes, to prepare a feast that is consumed in a matter of minutes. Some 150 people turned out to Fir Street Park on Saturday evening to feast on "buried beef" in a fundraising event that supports Sisters Park & Recreation District (SPRD) programs and scholarships. As they ate, they enjoyed a perfect, bluebird fall day and country music from Dry Canyon Stampede. The feast was days in the making. SPRD Executive Director Liam Hughes secured a cord of white oak wood from the Valley, as a City of Sisters public works crew brought out a backhoe and dug a pit in the vacant lot directly across the street from Fir Street Park. The use of the lot was donated by co-sponsor Bank of the Cascades.

At 8:30 p.m. on Friday night, Craig Rullman led a small party of fire-tenders in touching off a blaze in the pit. Fed by about three-quarters of the white oak cord, the blaze burned for five hours before the fire-tenders got it settled into a thick bed of coals. Passers-by were drawn to the blaze like moths, intrigued to see such goings on in the middle of Sisters. Strange and wondrous tales were told, dating back as far as the ancient strains of "Beowulf." At about 1:30 a.m., Rullman tossed bundles of foil-and-wet-burlap-wrapped meat into the coals, where Hughes and the fire-tenders buried them. After securing the pit with snow fencing to foil accidental intrusion, the crew departed to let the beef cook in its primal oven. Some

See **BURIED BEEF** on page 29

## Seed To Table invites town to dinner

By Sue Anderson  
Correspondent

Last Saturday night more than 100 locavores gathered in the Tehan pasture northeast of town to enjoy the first-ever Fall Harvest Community Dinner put on by the Seed to Table workers and volunteers. A sumptuous three-course meal featuring the nearby garden's bounty was served family style and gave new meaning to eating organic and local. Anna Witham of Root Cellar catering prepared dishes that included bright salad greens and herbs, shredded kale sauteed with garlic, sliced tasty tomatoes, warm potato salad, smoked beef roast, homemade bread, and carrot cake with frosting topped with flower petals, all (except for the cow) recently harvested from less than 50 yards away. No paper or plastic plates



PHOTO BY SUE ANDERSON

Over 100 community members enjoyed an outdoor dinner in the Tehan pasture Saturday afternoon with food grown by the Seed to Table Farm. and cutlery were used, and the 100-seat table was nicely decorated with flowers, herbs, canning jars and candles. Affordably priced tickets to the event sold out quickly. Participants were treated to a tour of the garden and greenhouses and invited to sample the still-growing produce. Wine glasses in hand, folks skirted piles of manure and waist-high kale to learn the intricacies of organic gardening in our challenging Central Oregon climate. "I found one, and they're really good!" exclaimed a

See **FARM DINNER** on page 30

## Inside...

Letters/Weather .....	2	Announcements.....	10	Paw Prints .....	13	Sisters Saver .....	23	Classifieds.....	26-28
Meetings .....	3	Movies & Entertainment....	11	Obituaries .....	16	Crossword .....	25	Real Estate .....	28-32